

2. A meeting was held at the State Department with Mr. Harold Vedeler, of the Bureau of European Affairs, and Mr. Sidney Buford, of the State Department Intelligence Staff, regarding the surfacing of the

STAT [redacted] Present for CIA, in addition to Mr. Pforzheimer, were

STAT [redacted] The Acting Secretary of State has determined that the State Department announcement of the surfacing of the [redacted] would be handled by the State

STAT Department Press Officer at his customary noon press briefing. I pointed out that the Jenner Committee would like not to be "scooped" by the release of the notes in view of the fact that they are surfacing

STAT the [redacted] and that therefore the release time should coincide with

STAT the [redacted]'s appearance before the Committee. It was agreed that in order to provide adequate time for the preparation of the case by the Committee, we should set a target date for open hearings as of 13 September, and that it would be preferable to open hearings in the afternoon so that the State Department notes could be delivered to the [redacted]

STAT [redacted] in the morning of the 13th. By opening

hearings in the afternoon (in view of the time differential) this will allow the Department to get confirmation back that the notes were delivered that morning, would allow the usual noon press conference to take place (with a hold for release time until 2:15 in the afternoon) and this in turn would permit those correspondents who cover the State Department and desire to attend the hearings to be present. Mr. Vedeler was extremely cooperative on all these aspects.

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